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APPLICANT: Takeshi BANDO et al )  
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TITLE: CONTAINER WITH LID )  
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COMPLETION OF PCT/JP2004/000178 filed 14 January 2004 )

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment of the above-identified patent application, which is being filed simultaneously herewith, as a completion of the above PCT international application.

Please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please replace the title with the attached amended title.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace the claims with the attached amended claims.

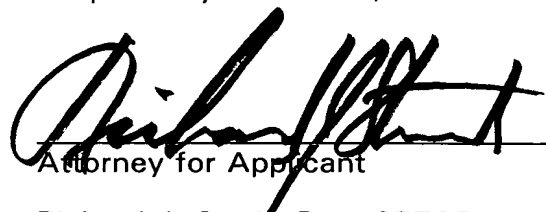
**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

Please replace the abstract with the attached substitute abstract.

**REMARKS**

The claims have been amended to remove the multiple dependencies in some of the claims. In addition, the abstract has been amended to remove reference numerals.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**AMENDED TITLE**

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